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Tax Relief and City Services for Yonkers Seniors

YONKERS seniors



Yonkers Brief: Protecting Taxpayers, Keeping Yonkers Safe

Property Tax Cap – The City has kept property taxes within the tax cap for three consecutive years, and in this year’s budget, Mayor Spano is proposing to stay within the cap once again.

City Finance Update – Yonkers’ bond ratings are the highest they’ve been in a generation, and last year the City sold its first “A” rated bonds in 30 years, saving taxpayers \$2 million in the cost of issuing bonds.

Yonkers’ Growing Economy – As Yonkers continues to grow, the City’s rate of unemployment is down from 9.1 % just three years ago to 6% today.

Crime Continues to Drop – Crime has dropped 30% during the past three years. The trend continues this year as crime is down 13% since last year. In this year’s budget, Mayor Spano is proposing to add 10 new police officers and reassign up to 8 officers to newly-created walking patrols.

High School Graduation Rate Improves – Good schools are key to maintaining property values in Yonkers. Last year the graduation rate increased to 76%, the highest of any big city in New York State.



Property Tax Relief & Rent Benefits for Seniors

Yonkers Expands Exemption for Veterans

We enacted a local law to include school taxes in the Alternative Veterans Exemption, so now veterans can qualify for the full benefit.

Rent Benefits for Yonkers Seniors

We expanded the rent benefit program to help more seniors afford to stay in their homes, doubling the income threshold to qualify for the expanded Senior Citizen Rent Increase Exemption.

Don't Miss Out on Your Property Tax Exemptions

- Enhanced STAR can save you up to \$2,277 for the upcoming 2015-2016 School Year
 - You can qualify for Enhanced STAR if your annual income does not exceed \$83,300
 - Don't Forget: You must reapply for Enhanced STAR every year
- The Senior Citizens Exemption can reduce your property tax bill up to 50% annually
- The Exemption for Persons with Disabilities can reduce your property tax bill up to 50% annually
- The Alternative Veterans Exemption is available to veterans who served during a time of war or received an expeditionary medal
- The Cold War Veterans Exemption is available to veterans who served during the Cold War (September 2, 1945 to December 26, 1991)

We encourage you to apply for property tax exemptions by September 15 of each year (the deadline to apply is October 15). For more information, please contact the Assessor's Office at (914) 377-6200 or CityAssessor@yonkersny.gov.



“Working with our partners on the City Council, we're keeping Yonkers affordable for seniors and giving back to our veterans.”

Mayor Mike Spano



City Services & Programs for Seniors

The City of Yonkers Office for the Aging and Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation offers a wide variety of programs and services to keep Yonkers residents ages 60 and older healthy, active and safe.

Senior Centers

Joining one of our 13 City-run Senior Recreational Centers is free for Yonkers Residents. For more information, call (914) 377-6444.

Grinton I. Will Library
1500 Central Park Avenue
Mon. - Fri., 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Coyne Park Community Center
777 McLean Avenue
Mon. - Fri., 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Charles A. Cola Community Center
945 North Broadway
Mon., Wed. & Fri., 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Rauso Post
178 Waverly Street
Tues., 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Bryn Mawr Church Hall
20 Buckingham Road
Mon. & Wed., 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

St. Mark's Church Hall
1373 Nepperhan Avenue
Tues. & Fri., 11:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Runyon Heights Community Center
21 Runyon Avenue
Wed., 10:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Terrace City Lodge #1499
95 North Broadway
Wed., 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Scotti Community Center
680 Bronx River Road
Mon., Tues., Wed. & Fri.
12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Nodine Hill Community Center
140 Fillmore Street
Mon. - Fri., 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

North East Jewish Center Hall
11 Salisbury Road
Thurs., 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Nepperhan Community Center
342 Warburton Avenue
Tues. & Thurs., 12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Crestwood Library
16 Thompson Street
Mon. & Tues., 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.



Nutrition Centers

Our Nutrition Centers provide seniors with a hot lunch and recreation activities at four sites across the City. For more information, call (914) 377-6825.

North Yonkers Preservation
219 Ridge Avenue
Mon. - Fri., 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Chema Community Center
435 Riverdale Avenue
Mon. - Fri., 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Scotti Community Center
680 Bronx River Road
Mon., Tues., Wed., Fri. & Sun.
10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Nepperhan Community Center
342 Warburton Avenue
Tues. & Thurs., 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Home Delivered Meals

We deliver hot, nutritious meals to homebound seniors in Yonkers. For more information, call (914) 963-2460.

Transportation Services

Yonkers offers transportation services within city limits for seniors who need transportation to medical visits, nutrition centers, senior centers, social activities, supermarkets and more. For more information or to schedule a ride, call (914) 963-4411.

Case Managers

Our trained case managers can connect you with services in your community to ensure that you receive the support and benefits you need. For more information, call (914) 377-6823.

Recreation Programs

The City organizes recreational activities, social programs and special events throughout the year for Yonkers seniors. For information on Parks Department programs or to obtain a copy of the recreational brochure, call (914) 377-6444.

Veterans Services

The City's Department of Veterans' Services helps veterans and their spouses and dependents obtain the benefits they are entitled to, including:

- Disability benefits
- Burial benefits
- Pensions
- Education Assistance
- Vocational Training
- Job Training
- VA Home Loans
- Property Tax Exemptions

For more information, call (914) 377-6700.

